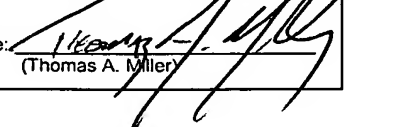




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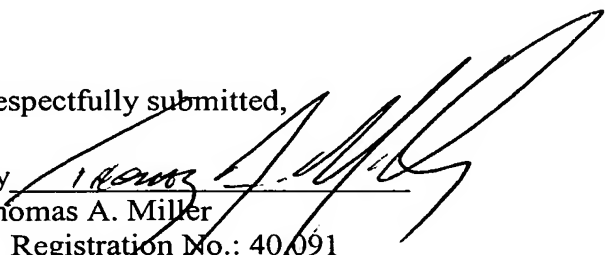
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Dear Sir:

A restriction requirement was issued by the Patent Office on June 30, 2004. In the requirement, the Examiner required an election of either Group I, directed to claims 1-18 and 28-43, or claims 19-20 identified as Group II. However, the Examiner seems to have overlooked a Preliminary Amendment which was filed concurrently with the application wherein all claims 1-43 were canceled and new claims 44-52 were added. As the Examiner will note, each of currently pending claims 44-52 is directed to a clip. Accordingly, a restriction requirement is not necessary and claims 44-52 should proceed to substantive examination. Applicants respectfully submit that each of such claims is in condition for allowance and respectfully solicits same. Should the Examiner have any questions, he is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned.

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